

STOP IT,
MINA!

◆Chapter 21◆

THERE'S
NOTHING
ELSE I
CAN DO...!

NO!

THAT
SPELL
IS STILL
IN THE
PROTO-
TYPE
STAGE!









I KNOW, RIGHT?
SHE'S NOT
ACTING LIKE
HERSELF...

SHI-
CHAN

I MUST
SAY, SHE
BECAME
RATHER
TALKATIVE
ALL OF A
SUDDEN.



SHI-
CHAN

SHE MUST
HAVE EATEN
SOMETHING
OFF THE
GROUND OR
SOMETHING



EVEN SO...
I'M NOT SURE
WHAT I CAN
REALLY EXPECT
FROM HER...

I CAN
SEE WHY THE
HEADMASTER
IS SO
INTERESTED
IN HER

UWA-
MAMA-
DADA!



WHEN NO
MATTER HOW
YOU LOOK AT
HER, SHE'S
JUST
A KID.
HOW
CONCEITED

AND THAT
LITTLE ONE,
SHE'S NAMED
HERSELF
AFTER THAT
LEGENDARY
HOMUNCULUS...



AT LEAST
SHE LOOKS
RATHER
ADORABLE.

I GUESS
SHE DOES
HAVE A
GUTS SIDE
TO HER,
TOO.

WELL...

NO
FIGHT-
ING!

IT WOULD
SEEM
THAT THIS
WOMAN
HAS A
DEATH
WISH.

NOW
SHE'S TRYING
TO DROWN
ME WITH
COMPLIMENTS,
IT SEEM.

Very well,
you let her
have...

?

CONFIDENTIAL

AND I
CAN'T DENY
THAT SEEING
HER PLAYING
HAPPILY WITH
HISKO-DONO
DOES HAVE
A RATHER
SOOTHING
EFFECT,
EITHER...

DO YOU...
FEEL
ALRIGHT?

WHAT
IS IT?

HISKO-
DANO

SHE'S
USUALLY SO
RESERVED,
BUT NOW...
DID SOME-
THING HAPPEN
TO HER?

I SAID
NO SUCH
THING.

...YOU JUST
SAID THAT IT
FELT A BIT
OWNOUS,
HAVING ME
WORRYING
ABOUT
YOU...

THOUGH
HAVING YOU
WORRY
ABOUT ME
FEELS A BIT
OWNOUS.

I'M
PER-
FECT-
LY
FINE.

YES,
YOU DID

WAIT...
YOU MEAN
I SAID
THAT OUT
LOUD?

Cough
MEAN

OWN-
NOUS?

WHAT DO
YOU MEAN,
OWNOUS?





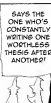
THAT
EQUIVOCAL
ATTITUDE
OF YOURS
ALWAYS
DRIVES ME
INSANE!



YOU JUST
KEEP CASUALLY
RUNNING YOUR
MOUTH WITHOUT
THINKING...
DO YOU HAVE
ANY IDEA HOW
OFTEN YOU'VE
INCONVENIENCED
PEOPLE BY
DOING THAT?!



THINGS
SEEM
PRETTY
TENSE
HERE
TOO...



SAYS THE
ONE WHO'S
CONSTANTLY
WRITING ONE
WOOTLESS
THISIS AFTER
ANOTHER!



?!
!

HONESTLY,
BOTH OF YOU
ARE SO UTTERLY
USELESS THAT
I WONDER WHY
WE EVEN LET YOU
INTO THE LAB
AT ALL.



YEAH...
IT SEEMS THE
OTHERS AROUND
HERE CAN'T KEEP
THEIR THOUGHTS
TO THEMSELVES
EITHER.



IT
APPEARS
MISAKI
ISN'T THE
ONLY ONE

COULD
THEY BE
FIGHTING
BECAUSE...







HIBIKI-SAN IS ADORABLE SEEN FROM THE SIDE TOO...

I'LL SEE IF I CAN THINK OF SOMETHING.

U-UM...

SHE REALLY IS CUTE NO MATTER WHAT SHE'S DOING...

HMM...

D-DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT WE CAN DO IN THIS SITUATION?



WHA-?!

THE CUTE RESEARCHER HIBIKI-SAN IS CUTE EVEN WHEN SHE'S PANICKING.



YEAH...

I'M STARTING TO THINK SO TOO.

IT WOULD SEEM THAT THIS WOMAN HAS GONE CRAZY AS WELL.



THAT MEANS THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT HIBIKI-SAN MIGHT BE ABLE TO HEAR HOW I'M CONSTANTLY THINKING HOW ADORABLE SHE IS ALL THE TIME...



THAT'S AWFUL!

UM...

HIKO-SAN, IT SEEMS YOU'VE BEEN AFFECTED TOO.



YES.

I HEARD YOU...

AND I GUESS THAT'S OUT IN THE OPEN TOO NOW.

...I SAY IN ALL SERIOUSNESS BUT YET I CAN'T KEEP MYSELF FROM THINKING TO MYSELF HOW CUTE HIBIKI-SAN ALWAYS IS...



THIS MUST BE SOME SORT OF DISEASE... PROBABLY INFECTIOUS...

POSSIBILITY...? UH, YES, I CAN HEAR IT...



THIS IS
DUE TO A
SPELL.



YES,
WHAT
DO
YOU
THINK?

HIGH-
SAN

I SEE
WELL THEN
LET'S GET
TO THE
POINT



IT'S
A SPELL THAT
SPREADS ITSELF
THROUGH THE AIR
LIKE A VIRUS... SOME
FAILED EXPERIMENT,
I PRESUME.

OR,
TO BE
MORE
SPECIFIC...

A SPELL?
I SEE!



YOU
SHOULD SEE
MY SISTER...
YUKKO MAKING
MEDICINE IS
HER FIELD OF
EXPERTISE.



BUT GIVEN
THE STATE OF
THINGS, THAT
MIGHT BE
DIFFICULT
RIGHT NOW

NORMALLY
WE COULD
BREW ONE
UP IN THE
LAB...

IF IT'S
A VIRUS,
WE'LL NEED
TO GET A
CURE



I UNDER-
STAND...
I THINK

I'M NOT
SURE IF
YOU'LL
BE ABLE
TO UNDER-
STAND
WHAT I'M
SAYING

SO,
HOW DO
WE FIX
IT?

...THAT SHE'S
WORKING SO
HARD TO TRY
AND HELP
EVERYONE
OUT?

I WONDER,
IS THE
REASON
THAT I FIND
HER EVEN
CUTER THAN
USUAL
TODAY...



AAH

HIBIKI-
SAN IS
LEAVING...



I GOT IT!
I'LL GO SEE
HER!



IT KEEPS ON
SPREADING



WHY,

HEYA
TEACH!



AHITO-
KUN!

!

WE HAVE
TO HURRY! IF
I REMEMBER
CORRECTLY,
YUKKO-SAN
LIVES OVER
THIS WAY.





?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

ARE YOU ALRIGHT,
AHITO-KUN?



THANK GOODNESS!

HE
APPEARS
TO BE
UNAFF-
ECTED



AHITO-KUN,
HURRY AND
GET OFF
THE
ACADEMY
GROUNDS!
THERE'S
A SPELL
SPREADING
AROUND
LIKE A
DISEASE!



I SEE

A SPELL
THAT CAUSES
EVERYONE TO
BLURT OUT
EVERYTHING IN
THEIR MINDS,
HUH?



A SPELL
SPREADING
LIKE A
DISEASE?

WE'RE ON
OUR WAY TO
YUKKO-SAN'S
PLACE, TO ASK
HER TO MAKE
A CURE



THAT'S
RIGHT!

WE
HAVE TO DO
SOMETHING,
QUICKLY!

SO THAT'S
WHAT THE
SPECTACLE
IS ABOUT.



EVERYONE
CARRIES
HATRED WITHIN
THEIR HEARTS.

THIS
JUST MAKES
THAT FACT
CLEAR.



SERVES
THEM
RIGHT.



A-
AHITO-
KUN!

THEY MAY TRY TO
HIDE IT USING THEIR
AUTHORITY, BUT IN THE
END, EVEN THE PEOPLE
HERE AT THIS MAGIC
ACADEMY ARE NO
DIFFERENT FROM
EVERYONE ELSE



I THINK
THAT
FIGHTING
WITH ONE
ANOTHER IS...

PROBABLY
VERY
IMPORTANT!

THAT'S
NOT TRUE,
AHITO-KUN!



Guuh
#&~



AND
SO...

BECAUSE
THEY'RE SO
CONSCIOUS OF
EACH OTHER,
THEY END UP
FIGHTING.

THEY'RE
ALL TRYING
TO CONNECT
WITH EACH
OTHER...

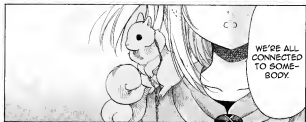


EVERYONE
HERE IS DOING
THE BEST THEY
CAN...



NOBODY IN
THIS WORLD
IS TRULY
ALONE.

THAT'S
WHAT I
THINK.



WE'RE ALL
CONNECTED
TO SOME-
BODY.



WHAT
?

IN THAT
CASE, THE
PEOPLE WHO
KILL EACH
OTHER IN WAR
ARE JUST
IDIOTS, AM I
RIGHT?

AND THIS
INCIDENT...
PROVES THAT,
I THINK.



YOU
COMPLETE,
LITTER
IDIOT!

AHITO-
KUN,
YOU...

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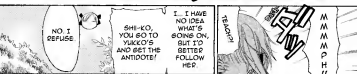


DON'T
JUST
BRUSH
THEM OFF
AS PLAIN
SIMPLE
IDIOTS!

PEOPLE'S
RELATIONSHIPS
WITH EACH
OTHER ARE
MUCH MORE
COMPLEX THAN
THAT!

HOW CAN
YOU CALL
THE
PEOPLE
WHO GET
MIXED UP
IN WARS
IDIOTS SO
EASILY?!

YOU'RE
THE IDIOT
HERE!



I'VE NEVER
SEEN HER THAT
EMOTIONAL
BEFORE...





YOU'RE
AFRAID OF
LETTING ME
HEAR WHAT'S
ON YOUR
MIND?

COULD
IT BE
THAT
...

DO NOT
TALK
ABOUT
ANY
THINGS

TEACH...

NEVER
SAYING
WHAT YOU
WANT TO
SAY...

HAVE YOU
ALWAYS BEEN
KEEPING YOUR
FEELINGS
LOCKED UP
LIKE THIS?



ALWAYS
BEING ALL
ALONE...



AND IF
THAT'S
RIGHT...

"I'M SURE THAT
BECAUSE THEY'RE
SO CONSCIOUS
ABOUT EACH OTHER,
THEY END UP
FIGHTING" ... ISN'T
THAT WHAT YOU
SAID?

THAT
THIS WAS
IMPOR-
TANT?

HEY,
TEACH...

DIDN'T
YOU JUST
SAY...



TEACH?

IN THAT
CASE, WHY
DON'T YOU
TRY FIGHTING
WITH ME,



SO
COME ON
TEACH,
LET'S
GO

AND
BESIDES,
MY MOUTH'S
WAY FOLLER
THAN YOURS
COULD EVER
BE

NO!!

I MAY
NOT LOOK
IT, BUT I AM
THE WORST
TROUBLE-
MAKER IN THE
WHOLE
ACADEMY.

I DON'T
CARE
ABOUT
BEING
CALLED
AN IDIOT
THAT
HAPPENS
ALL THE
TIME.

I'M
TELLING
YOU, I
REALLY
DON'T
MIND.

That's
really
kind, huh
Teach?

AND I DON'T
WANT TO DO
ANYTHING MORE
TO MAKE YOU
DISLIKE ME
EITHER!

I DON'T
WANT TO
BOTHER
EVERYONE!

たはな
う

TEACH

NO!
I DON'T
WANT TO
FIGHT YOU!

!!

That's
mean!

I MEAN,
YOU SEEM
PRETTY
SIMPLE-
MINDED
ANYWAY.

AND BESIDES,
WHO'S TO SAY
WE WOULD END
UP FIGHTING JUST
BECAUSE I HEARD
WHAT YOU WERE
THINKING?

SO VERY
RELIABLE...

YOU'RE
SO...

I
MEAN

AHITO-KUN,
YOU'RE
ALWAYS
HELPING
ME OUT...

YOU'LL
ALWAYS...?!

AND
BECAUSE
OF THAT,
I...

I WILL
ALWAYS...
ALWAYS...

!?

T-

FOOLISH HUMANS, HAVE A TASTE OF THIS CRYSTAL OF WISDOM!

Wahahaha!

PU PU PU...

WHIA-

Wahahaha!

HARD AT
WORK SPREADING
THE ANTIDOTE
I SEE, SHII-KO...

THIS
DEVICE
IS QUITE
AMUSING!

UFUFUFU...
HIBIKI-SAN
IS STILL CUTE
LYING DOWN
TOO.

IKKO-
SAN, YOU
DID TAKE
THE
ANTIDOTE
TOO,
RIGHT?

HMM?
WHY YES,
I DID.
WHY?

IT WAS
QUITE
SURPRISING
HOW QUICK-
LY THE
ANTIDOTE
WORKED.

BEFORE SHE
RECEIVED THE
ANTIDOTE,
SHE...

WELL...

WHAT
HAPPENED
TO MISAKI-
SAN?

HOW
COULD
I
HAVE...

WHAT
HAVE
I
DONE?

SEEMS TO
HAVE GUN
INTO THE
HEADMASTER
WHO JUST
CAME BACK
FROM HIS
TRIP.





AH,
AHTO-
KUN.

LOOKS
LIKE I'D
BETTER
STAY OUT
OF THIS.

SHE
MIGHT
HAVE
PEE-
FERED
THAT,
ACTU-
ALLY..

OH NO,
DID THEY
GET INTO A
FIGHT?



THANK
YOU FOR
CARRYING
ME HERE.

YES?



ANYTHING
GLIDE TO YOU
DID I?

I HOPE
I DIDN'T
SAY

MY
MIND'S
ALL FUZZY
RIGHT NOW,
SO...



I DIDN'T

WHAT?

YOU DID
CALL HIM AN
"IDIOT"



NO, NOT AT
ALL

THANK
GOOD-
NESS!

.....



I HEARD
THAT
THERE
WAS
SOMEONE
HERE
HANDING
OUT ANTI-
DOTES



I'M
VERY
SORRY

THIS
WHOLE MESS
WAS ALL MY
FAULT



...
WHO
ARE
YOU?



SO I
WAS ALWAYS
WORRIED THAT
MAYBE HE
JUST DOESN'T
LIKE ME...

BUT
HE NEVER
TALKS
TO ME AT
ALL,

MY
GRAND-
FATHER
WORKS AT
THE LAB
HERE...



I SEE...

AND TO
TOP THINGS
OFF ME AND
GRANDFATHER
ENDED UP
FIGHTING
BECAUSE
OF IT...

BUT...
ITS RANGE WAS
GREATER THAN
I THOUGHT...
AND SO THIS
WHOLE THING
HAPPENED

SO I
STOLE A
POTION
THAT HE
WAS
WORKING
ON

I JUST
HAD TO
KNOW WHAT
HE REALLY
FEELS



WHY CAN'T
YOU SEE HOW
MUCH I LOVE
YOU?!

GRAND
FATHER,
YOU IDIOT!

I DID FIND
OUT THAT I'D
GOTTEN THIS
ALL WRONG

IT
WASN'T
ALL BAD
THOUGH

OF
COURSE
I LOVE
YOU!

GRAND-
FATHER!

...DO
YOU THINK
I DON'T...

DO
YOU THINK I
DON'T LOVE
YOU JUST AS
MUCH?!

I'm so
sorry to
have caused
you all
trouble,
though.

I'M GLAD
WE GOT A
CHANCE TO
CONFRONT
EACH OTHER
LIKE THIS.

WE HAD
NEVER REALLY
FOUGHT BEFORE
WE'VE HARDLY
EVEN SPOKEN.

DEBATE
ALL THE
TROUBLE

I'M GLAD
SOME GOOD
CAME OUT OF
ALL THIS

EVERYONE
HAS SOMEONE
THEY WANT TO
GET CLOSER
TO.

AHITO-KUN
HAS BEEN KIND
OF DISTANT
EVER SINCE
I WOKE UP..

COULD IT
BE BECAUSE
I CALLED HIM
AN IDIOT...?

AHITO-
KUN...?

ALWAYS...

I'LL
ALWAYS...

WHAT WAS
SHE ABOUT
TO SAY BACK
THEN...?

AHI-
TO-
KUN?

UM...

...WHAT?!

YOU'LL
ALWAYS...



WELL,
ANY-
WAY...

I WONDER
IF I'LL GET TO
HEAR THE REST OF
THAT SENTENCE
SOMEDAY.



WELL,
WHEN THAT
HAPPENS...

I SUPPOSE
WE'LL END UP
HAVING ONE
HELL OF A
FIGHT.



I'LL
GO
ON A
JOUR-
NEY

The real
development
in this story
has been
confirmed

Wahahaha

くらっ!!
くらっ!!

WAIT! IF THE
HEADMASTER HAD
BEEN HIT BY THAT
SPELL, I COULD
HAVE FOUND
OUT SO MUCH
FROM HIM!

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